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Panther Plea

OAKLAND, Calif.—A judge refused yesterday to put Black Panther Chairman Bobby Seale back on probation as Alameda County authorities requested.

Seale originally was put on three years' probation in 1968 on a felony gun conviction. In 1969, his probation was halted when he was jailed in Connecticut on a murder charge that was later dismissed and on charges with the Chicago 7 after the 1968 Democratic National Convention.

Alameda probation authorities sought in Superior Court to make Seale finish his probation period, but Judge Redmond C. Staats Jr. refused, noting Seale had spent a year and a half in Eastern jails.